

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 19 OCTOBER 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1185-0-01 (ACCNO 6284) Status: (A) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: LEMCKE, DAVID EARL Date Status assigned: 30 Apr 1976

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	\$
Service	ARMY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	AB#
Grade	E4	Hair	BLOND	Complexion	#
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BLUE	Weapon	#
Serial No		Height	71 in / 1.80 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	28 Jul 1947	Weight	156 lb / 70.7 kg	Duty pos	RIFLEMAN
Home State	NEW YORK	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: GROUND SITE
UTM: 48QYD268735
Lat/Long: 165608N / 1070748E
Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Military Region: 1
Mission Province: QUANG TRI
(formerly):
Mission District: BEN HAI
Mission Date: 21 May 1968
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: Unknown location.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Jul 93, May 92
Investigations: Aug 93
Surveys: Aug 93
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: GROUND SITE - UNKNOWN LOSS

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: GRND	Serial: \$
Crash Type: None	Engine Type:
Call Sign: \$	1 Serial:
Year: \$	2 Serial:

===== SPECIAL CHARACTER KEY =====

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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

12 December 1975

ON 21 MAY 1968 SP4 DAVID E. LEMCKE, B BATTERY, 1ST BATTALION, 40TH ARTILLERY, 108TH ARTILLERY GROUP WAS IN A PERSONNEL BUNKER IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES YD 268 735, OUTPOST A-1, QUANG TRI PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM WITH FOUR OTHER INDIVIDUALS ONE OF THEM WAS CLEANING HIS WEAPON WHEN IT ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGED INTO A BOX OF ILLUMINATION GRENADES. TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE NEAR THE ENTRANCE OF THE BUNKER WERE ABLE TO EXIT THE BUNKER. THE BUNKER BURNED EXTENSIVELY AND THERE WERE NUMEROUS EXPLOSIONS FROM THE LARGE AMOUNT OF EXPLOSIVES AND AMMUNITION STORED IN IT.

THE REMAINS OF TWO INDIVIDUALS, PARTIALLY CREMATED, WERE LATER RECOVERED FROM THE BUNKER, AFTER ONE MONTH OF DIGGING AND SIFTING OF THE SOIL, NO REMAINS OF SP4 LEMCKE COULD BE FOUND. HE WAS PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN CREMATED COMPLETELY. SP4 LEMCKE IS CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NONRECOVERABLE. (REF 1)

=== REFERENCES ===

12 December 1975

REFERENCES: <1> RPT, REPORT OF INVESTIGATION, HQ 1ST BN, 40TH ARTY, 10 JUL 68. <2> 240457Z SEP 93 CJTFFA DET ONE BANGKOK TH.

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

20 August 1993

CASE NARRATIVE WAS PASSED TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT DURING THE 28 JUL 1993 POW/MIA TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

6 October 1993

ON 24 AUG 93, IE2 INVESTIGATED CASE 1185 IN GIO MY VILLAGE, GIO LINH DISTRICT, QUANG TRI PROVINCE. IE2 INTERVIEWED TWO WITNESSES WHO PROVIDED INFORMATION ON THE ALLEGED RECOVERY AND SALE (TO AN UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL) OF A DENTAL PLATE WITH FOUR TEETH IN JUNE 1986. THE TEAM SURVEYED THE SITE IDENTIFIED BY THE WITNESSES AND THE INCIDENT LOCATION IN U.S. RECORDS. THE TWO SITES ARE APPROXIMATELY 500 METERS APART AND BOTH AREAS WERE LITTERED WITH THE REMNANTS OF MUNITIONS. THE TEAM QUESTIONED OTHER VILLAGERS CONCERNING INCIDENTS INVOLVING U.S. PERSONNEL AND REMAINS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. SEVERAL VILLAGERS REPORTED THE SURROUNDING AREA CONTAINED LIVE ORDNANCE. DUE TO THE HAZARDS IN THE VICINITY, THE TEAM DID NOT CONDUCT ANY FURTHER ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. NO REMAINS OR MATERIAL

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EVIDENCE WAS OBTAINED DURING THE INVESTIGATION. (REF 2)



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NARRATIVE

ON 21 MAY 1968, SPECIALIST FOUR DAVID E. LEMCKE AND FOUR OTHER SOLDIERS WERE IN A BUNKER IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES YD268735, APPROXIMATELY 13 KILOMETERS NORTH-NORTHEAST OF DONG HA AND 5 KILOMETERS EAST OF GIO LINH, QUANG TRI PROVINCE. ONE OF THE SOLDIERS WAS CLEANING HIS WEAPON WHEN IT ACCIDENTLY DISCHARGED INTO A BOX OF ILLUMINATION GRENADES SETTING THE BUNKER ON FIRE. TWO INDIVIDUALS WERE ABLE TO ESCAPE BEFORE THE BUNKER WAS DESTROYED BY FIRE AND EXPLOSIONS FROM STORED AMMUNITION. THE REMAINS OF TWO INDIVIDUALS WERE LATER RECOVERED FROM THE BUNKER. SPECIALIST FOUR LEMCKE'S REMAINS WERE NOT LOCATED.

PERTINENT DATA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NAME: LEMCKE, DAVID EARL

RANK: SPECIALIST FOUR, U.S. ARMY

DATE OF BIRTH: DATA

RACE: CAUCASIAN

HEIGHT: 1.80 METERS

WEIGHT: 70.7 KILOGRAMS

HAIR: BLOND

EYES: BLUE

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Tờ Tường Thuật

Vào ngày 21 tháng 5 năm 1968, Chuyên viên Cấp 4 DAVID E. LEMCKE và bốn binh sĩ khác ở một hầm trú ẩn trong vùng phụ cận của tọa độ YD268735, cách Đông Hà khoảng độ 13 cây số về phía bắc đông bắc và cách Gio Linh khoảng độ 5 cây số về phía đông, tỉnh Quảng Trị. Một trong những binh sĩ lau chùi súng khi vô ý bắn vào hộp lựu đạn chiếu sáng làm hầm trú ẩn bốc cháy. Hai binh sĩ có thể thoát ra được trước khi hầm trú ẩn bị nổ và bốc cháy bởi đạn dược. Thi hài của hai binh sĩ sau đó đã được thu hồi từ hầm trú ẩn. Thi hài của Chuyên viên Cấp 4 LEMCKE không được tìm thấy đầu cả.

Sau đây là những chi tiết liên quan:

Họ và tên:	LEMCKE, DAVID EARL
Cấp bậc:	Chuyên viên Cấp 4, Quân Đội Hoa Kỳ
Ngày sinh:	DATA
Chủng tộc:	Da trắng
Chiều cao:	1 thước 80
Cân nặng:	70 kí 7
Màu tóc:	Vàng
Màu mắt:	Xanh

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BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 25 AUGUST 1993

----- BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION -----

REFNO: 1187 (ACCNO 0558) Status: (8) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: ADAM, JOHN QUINCY Date Status assigned: 29 Jun 1978

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	DATA
Service	AIR FORCE	Sex	MALE	Blood type	O +
Grade	E4	Hair	BLACK	Complexion	TAN
SSAN		Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	.38 CAL PISTOL
Serial No	DATA	Height	71 in / 1.80 mtrs	Weapon No	K721298
Birth date		Weight	143 lb / 64.8 kg	Duty pos	CREWMAN
Home State	KANSAS	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

----- SITE INFORMATION -----

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: CRASH SITE
UTM: 48QXC843858
Lat/Long: 160848N / 1064326E
Country: LAOS
Military Region: 4
Mission Province: SALAVAN
(formerly): SARAVANE
Mission District: TA-OY
Mission Date: 22 May 1968 2125L
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: Unknown location.

----- JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY -----

Folders Passed: Jun 92, Jul 90, Feb 90
Additional Information Obtained: Jun 89
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: CRASH SITE - UNKNOWN LOSS
Survivability: (3) Unknown

----- VEHICLE DATA -----

Vehicle Type: C130A	Serial: 477
Crash Type: None	Engine Type: T569B
Call Sign: BLINDBAT 01	1 Serial: A101433
Year: 56	2 Serial: A100201

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